

AGENDA
HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, JULY 19, 2010
TRAINING ROOM
3300 CAPITOL AVE., BUILDING B
FREMONT, CALIFORNIA
7:15 P.M.

1. **SECRETARY CALL FOR QUORUM**
2. **CALL TO ORDER**
3. **ROLL CALL**
4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** of the June 21, 2010 meeting.
5. **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**
6. **WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS**
7. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**
8. **CONSENT ITEMS** (Routine items requiring no discussion; any Commissioner or member of the public can ask for a consent item to be moved to the regular agenda to allow for discussion)
 - 8.1 None
9. **OLD BUSINESS**
 - 9.1 HRC Film Series

BACKGROUND: The HRC is sponsoring quarterly screenings as part of their film series

RECOMMENDATION: Receive update.
 - 9.2 Job description for Commissioners

BACKGROUND: Chair Salwan, Commissioner Dave, Commissioner Vuppala and Commissioner Watanuki have drafted a job description for the Human Relations Commission (Attachment 9.2).

RECOMMENDATION: Review and approve job description as amended.

9.4 HRC Work Plan

BACKGROUND: On May 17, 2010, the HRC held a half-day strategic planning retreat, which resulted in a two-year (Calendar Year 2010 and 2011) Strategic Work Plan (Attachment 9.4). The Commission requested the Work Plan be added as a standing agenda item so that the Commission could re-evaluate the various project deadlines throughout the year.

RECOMMENDATION: Review Work Plan and provide staff with recommended changes.

10. NEW BUSINESS (Items on which the Commission has not yet had an agenda item discussion or taken action).

10.1 State Budget Impacts to Child Care

BACKGROUND: Paul Miller, Executive Director of Kidango has been asked to speak to the Commission regarding the impact of Governor's proposed budget cuts on child development and childcare on a statewide basis and the potential impacts on services provided locally by Kidango ..

RECOMMENDATION: Receive update from Kidango staff.

10.2 Social Service Grant program Grantee Meeting

BACKGROUND: On July 15 A Social Service Grant Program Grantee Meeting was held, bringing together social service non-profits who receive funding from the city. Human Relations Commissioners Dave and Hoffman were in attendance, along with several of the Senior Citizen Commissioners. The meeting provided an opportunity for different agency staff to meet each other and briefly network, and to update agencies on some new grantee reporting requirements this year. In addition agencies were asked to participate in identifying and discussion common interests, need for technical assistance, topics on which they would like more information and other opportunities for collaboration. In addition the idea of holding a community resource fair for laid off NUMMI workers in the fall was introduced. Though the time for discussion was short some common themes emerged. Commissioners have received the list of ideas and suggestions generated by non-profit participants.

RECOMMENDATION: Receive and discuss recommendations, and consider for future action by Commission and staff. Provide direction to the Community Dialogue and Resource Sharing Subcommittee for additional research or follow-up.

10.3 Update of Homeless Prevention and Rapid Re-housing Program.

BACKGROUND: In November the City of Fremont received AARA Stimulus dollars to be used to assist families, undergoing economic crises stay housed and to also assist families who have recently become homeless rapidly become re-housed. The County through EveryOne Home (a non-profit dedicated to eradicating homelessness in Alameda County by 2020) has helped to establish a coordinated effort to implement these assistance services. Seven Housing Resource Centers have been established on a County-wide basis and 2-1-1 is being used as the preliminary screening and entrance point for the services. The Family Resource Center Core staff (case managers) are screening and handling all families in the Tri-Cities who need assistance remaining housed, while Abode Services is working on Rapid Rehousing. Funds may be used assist with rent and utilities in arrears, pay deposits as well as housing subsidies. For families on Cal Works who qualify, FRC and Abode workers can draw down special TANF (Transitional Assistance of Needy Families) funding for similar support, through a contractual arrangement with Alameda County Social Services Agency.

Recommendation: Staff will provide an update on the success of the program to date and the number of families which have been serviced. The Alameda County coordinated project under EveryOne Home has received national recognition as a model program.

11. COMMISSION REFERRALS

11.1 None

12. COMMISSION REPORTS (Oral reports on relevant meetings/events)

12.1 Community Dialogue and Resource Sharing Subcommittee

BACKGROUND: A subcommittee of Commissioner Watanuki (Lead), Chair Salwan, Commissioner Smith and Commissioner La, is working on a series of symposiums, as well as ways to improve resources for non-profits in the community.

RECOMMENDATION: Receive Subcommittee update.

12.2 “Make a Difference Day” Subcommittee

BACKGROUND: Make a Difference Day 2010 is scheduled for Saturday, October 23, 2010.

RECOMMENDATION: Receive staff update.

12.3 “Non-Profits” Subcommittee

BACKGROUND: A subcommittee of Vice-Chair Hoffman and Commissioners Walsh and Watanuki, is working to develop resources for non-profits. Commissioner Walsh and Watanuki are the HRC liaisons to the FRC Community Advisory and Engagement Board (CAEB).

RECOMMENDATION: Receive subcommittee update.

12.4 Visibility Subcommittee

BACKGROUND: A subcommittee of Commissioner Davé (Lead), Vice-Chair Hoffman and Commissioner Vuppala is working on ways to increase the HRC's visibility in the community.

RECOMMENDATION: Receive subcommittee update.

12.6 Advocacy Subcommittee

BACKGROUND: A subcommittee of Chair Salwan (Lead) Commissioners Shaiq and Commissioner Walsh is working on ways to increase HRC visibility in the community.

RECOMMENDATION: Receive subcommittee update.

12.7 Other Commission Updates

RECOMMENDATION: Receive report from other Commissioners on relevant meetings/events.

13. STAFF REPORTS

13.1 Attendance Summary (**Attachment 13.1**)

13.2 Calendar (**Attachment 13.2**) of HRC regular/special meetings and events.

13.3 Update on the Senior PenPal Project

14. REFERRALS TO STAFF (this is for items referred by an individual Commissioner. A Commission vote in favor of an item here means it will be placed on a future Commission agenda as an item of new business. A vote against means it will be dropped without consideration).

15. ADJOURNMENT